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SN 09/902,933 "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROGRAMMABLE FLUIDIC PROCESSING" - Frederick F. Becker et al. (Client Reference: MDA98-010CON1)

Sir:

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Sir:

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This application is a continuation application of Serial No. 09/249,955, filed February 12, 1999 and is relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. § 120. In accordance with Rule 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d) copies of the listed documents are not enclosed as they have been previously cited by or submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office in prior application Serial No. 09/249,955.

Applicants respectfully request that the listed documents be made of record in the present case.

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